

Roads

- December presented some challenges with the freezing and thawing cycles. On a few different days it looked like spring, with water flowing in the ditches and the frost leaving the ground. I hope that the packed snow and ice on the dirt roads will be here to stay until spring as they are much easier and quicker to plow when frozen.
- The Snow fence on Main Street was put up.
- Griggs parking lot expansion has been completed, I hope everyone that uses the lot appreciates the extra room to maneuver and park, I know the plow truck drivers will.

Parks

- Brown Plumbing and Heating has submitted yet another bill for the BBTP project. Pete and I met with Tony and Mark in November and thought we had all of the confusion worked out and Brown Plumbing was going to submit their bills to Arnie Mackey, just like they did for the entire project. This is really out of my hands, but think Tony Brown should look at every invoice he has for the BBTP project and define clearly what was done and what was or was not paid for. It is clear to Pete and I that Brown's accounting is very "hazy". I'm sure once all the invoices are justified, the Town of LaPointe will happily pay them. It should be noted that if these invoices are justifiable and paid that they have not been budgeted for and will not be credited back to us from the grant that funded most of the BBTP project, as we closed the grant in November.
- I found straw for sale at a good price and purchased 70 bails. These will be used in early spring around BBTP to help the grass to grow where we expanded each site.
- Camping fees at BBTP have been increased to \$23.00/non-power and \$29.00/power. 2014 rates were \$20.00 and \$26.00 respectfully. Reservations are looking very strong so far for the upcoming season.
- Dick is coming into the office every Monday to help with BBTP emails and reservations.
- As instructed by the town board, I have been researching parking fees and money collection ideas for BBTP and hope to have 3-4 options for the town board to pick from in January, one of which will be my suggestion of not charging and at the very most a donation box.

Equipment

- The oil leak on 54 was an oil cooler line it has now been replaced.
- We have been shopping for the best price and ordering parts to commence on our extensive equipment fixing process. In January the priority is to have new brakes on all of the dump trucks, new wheel bearings and alignment on the 2-ton, and the 96 pickup back up and running.
- The wing on 98 is continuing to be troublesome for some operators, and was damaged a little when it got hung up on a concrete pad at the airport. A new plate to better secure it is being manufactured in house and will soon be put back together.
- The 4x4 EMS rig had its secondary alternator replaced. A "dead man" switch was also installed by the driver's seat to ensure the battery power will always be available for startup. During this time the radiator was flushed due to the discovery of high acidic levels in the coolant. This has

been caused by different and wrong types of coolant being added to the system. I have spoken to Deena and asked her to communicate to the other EMS personnel that only Yellow coolant is to be used.

- The parks ATV had a recall on the frontend and was taken to Northland Lawn and Sport to have completed.

Administration/Misc.

- I completed a Reasonable Suspicion class for the DOT. This class educated me on the proper procedures to take if or when the signs and symptoms of drugs and alcohol use occurs on the job.
- I did more research on new break wall signal lights and will soon purchase and install them.
- We were able to safely burn the enormous brush pile at the north end pit.
- We have taken the one ton parks truck over to Bayfield for us to use if needed during the wind sled season.

Respectfully Submitted,

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